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By the QUEEN,

A PROCLAMATION,

For Calling a New Parliament.

ANNE R.

WHereas by Our Royal Proclamation bearing Date the Fifth Day of this Month of April, We did Diſſolve the laſt Parliament, and Declared Our Intentions of Speedily Calling a New one; We Do accordingly hereby further Declare, That, with the Advice of Our Privy-Council, We have this Day given Order to Our Keeper of Our Great Seal of England, to Iſſue out Writs in due form for the Calling a New Parliament, which Writs are to bear Teſte the Second Day of May next enſuing the Date hereof, and to be Returnable on Thurſday the Fourteenth Day of June next following.

Given at Our Court at *St. James's* the Twenty third Day of *April*, 1705. In the Fourth Year of Our Reign.

GOD Save the QUEEN.

Milan, *April* 11. *N. S.* We have received Advice, That the Gariſon of *Verue* ſurrendered the 9th Inſtant for want of Proviſions. The Duke of *Vendoſme* intends, as is ſaid, to ſend his Forces, which have ſuffered very much during ſo long a Siege, into Quarters of Refreſhment; and to go himſelf to conſer with the Grand Prior his Brother, upon the Meaſures to be taken for oppoſing the powerful Succours that are coming from *Germany* to the Aſſiſtance of the Duke of *Savoy*. A Body of the Grand Prior's Forces has formally beſieged the Town of *Mirandola*, which had been blockt up by them a conſiderable time; And the Care of that Undertaking is committed to Monſieur *de Laparra*, one of the *French* King's chief Enginiers. They write from *Genoa*, That the Abbot *de Pompone* is lately arrived there from *Toulon*, on board a *French* Man of War, going to *Venice*, with the Character of Ambaſſador from the *French* King.

Venice, *April* 11. The Queen Dowager of *Poland*, and the Electreſs of *Bavaria* her Daughter, came hither the 3d Inſtant from *Padua*. Two Men of War belonging to this State are lately arrived here from *Corfou*, with ſeveral Tranſport-ſhips under their Convoy, which had on board 5 Companies of Foot, and divers Paſſengers, among whom is the Widow of the Sieur *Du Hamel*, General of the *Venetian* Forces in the *Morea*, who died lately at *Napoli di Romania*. Letters from *Breſcia* of the 5th Inſtant give an Account, That Prince *Alexander* of *Wirtemberg* arrived the 2d from *Germany* in the Imperial Camp near *Sale*, having been ſent before by Prince *Eugene* to ſettle divers Matters with the Count *de Leiningen*, who at preſent commands the Imperial Army in thoſe Parts; and had brought thither the welcome News, That a conſiderable number of *Pruſſian* and other Forces were actually marching thither from *Bavaria*. The Count *de Leiningen* has thereupon ſent General *Serini* with the Horſe, and a Battalion of Foot, towards *Lodrone*, and will ſhortly follow with the reſt of his Army, in order to join theſe Reinforcements. Another Body of the Imperialiſts came the 2d Inſtant into the Valley of *Poliſella*; and they have poſſeſſed themſelves of ſeveral Poſts along the *Adige*.

Augsbourg, *April* 16. Orders are given for the demoliſhing of a Fort which the Elector of *Bavaria* had cauſed to be built here, whilſt this City was in his Poſſeſſion. The Prince of *Anhalt Deſſau*, who is to command in Chief the King of *Pruſſia*'s Forces which are marching into *Italy*, is arrived here from *Deſſau* in his way thither.

Coblentz, *April* 19. Two Regiments of the King of *Pruſſia*'s Forces came laſt night to *Preyſig*, in their March to *Triers*, and are followed by a Regiment of the Forces of *Munſter*, and another of *Switzers*, who are in the Pay of the States General. A great number of Recruits and Horſes have lately paſſed by this Place towards *Triers*. The *Engliſh* and *Dutch* Trains of Artillery which lie here are in a readineſs to march likewiſe that way, as ſoon as they ſhall have received Orders for that purpoſe.

Paris, *April* 20. *N. S.* The late Duke *de Bretagne*'s Body was buried the 15th Inſtant in the Abbey of St. *Dennis*, and his Heart at *Val de Grace*. The Duke *de Choiſeul*, Lieutenant-General, died here the 12th Inſtant. The Count *de Monaſterol*, Envoy from the Elector of *Bavaria*, has lately had Audience of the King, to notify to him the Death of Duke *Maximilian* of *Bavaria*, Uncle to that Elector. Monſieur *Amelot*, being appointed Ambaſſador from this Crown to the Court at *Madrid*, intends to be going thither next week. The King is at preſent at *Marli*, where he to Day a Review on the 15th Inſtant of the *Gens d'Armes*, who are ordered to *Donchery*, there to remain till further Orders: The Light Horſe are to march to *Rocroy*. An Expreſs is arrived here from the Camp before *Gibraltar*, who came away the 26th paſt, and brings ſuch an Account of the ill Poſture of that Siege, and the Difficulties which the Beſiegers meet with, as well from the Rigour of the Seaſon, as from the reſolute Defence of the Gariſon, that it is looked upon as impracticable to carry it on: And it is ſaid, That Orders have thereupon been ſent to the Marſhal *de Teſſe* to raiſe it, and to augment the Fortifications of *Cadiz*, and put that Place into a better Poſture of Defence. Another Expreſs is arrived here from the Duke *de la Feuillade*, with Advice of his having poſſeſſed himſelf of the Forts of *St. Oſpicio* and *Montalban*, the Gariſons of which were allowed to retire into *Nice*; and that he was preparing to ſtorm that Town, wherein, if he ſucceeds, he is afterwards, as is reported, to ſend a Reinforcement of 12 Battalions to *Spain*.

Plimouth, *April* 22. On the 18th Inſtant a Spaniſh Prize was ſent into this Port by a Dutch Privateer. The next day came in here the Anne, John Tums Maſter, from Falmouth: And a Fleet of about 20 Sail of homeward-bound Merchant-men ſailed hence to the Eaſtward, under Convoy of ſeveral of Her Majeſty's Ships. The 20th came in the Chriſtopher of London, Thomas Jackſon Maſter, laden with Fruit from Lisbon, and bound to Amſterdam, which ſailed again yeſterday; as did alſo a Daniſh Ship laden with Wine, and bound to Copenhagen.

Dartmouth, *April* 22. The Mermaid Galley of London, Captain John Gudgeon Commander, homeward-bound from Smirna, ſailed hence the 18th Inſtant. The 20th a Fleet of homeward-bound Merchant-men, under Convoy of ſeveral of Her Majeſty's Ships, paſſed by this Port to the Eaſtward.

Yarmouth, *April* 23. A Fleet of about 200 Sail of laden Colliers came into our Road the 19th Inſtant from Newcaſtle, under Convoy of Two of Her Majeſty's Ships, and ſailed again the next day to the Southward. Yeſterday another Fleet of laden Colliers, of about 100 Sail, under Convoy likewiſe of Two of Her Majeſty's Ships, paſſed thro' our Road, and on the back of our Sands, to the Southward.

Cowes, *April* 23. A Prize called the St. Barbara of Bayonne was ſent in here this morning by the Queen Mary, a Privateer belonging to Middleburg, Sampſon Perrot Commander.

There are Two Mails due from Holland.

Sir